

ROANOKE VALLEY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE MINUTES

AUGUST 8, 2011

The Roanoke Valley Human Rights Committee met on Monday, August 8, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. at Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare, located at 3517 Brandon Avenue, Roanoke, VA.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jay Fields – Chair
Joseph Kinchloe – Vice Chair
Martha Pillow – Secretary
Nancy Fields
Joanne Baker

DBHDS-OHR STAFF

Nan Neese – Advocate

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT STAFF

Betsy Walker

AFFILIATES REPRESENTED

Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare – Tim Steller, Betty Bingham
Braley & Thompson – Lisa McDowell
Cee – Breeze – Emize Abbott
Centra – Kelly Eitani
CHIP – Denise Ellis
Didlake – Robin Hurst
EHS – Katye Hale, Lorna Weldon
East Mental Health – JoAnn Patterson, Carol Walker
Family Preservation Services – Renee Williams
Family Services of Roanoke Valley – Vickie Haynie, Karen Pillis
Fidura & Associates – Jennifer Fidura, Cassie Huskey
Hope Tree Family Services – Will Childers
Lamano Agency – Stanley Cousins, Diane Exner
Lutheran Family Services of VA – Julie Swanson, Tresha Lafon
Mayo Residential – Gabrielle Jones
National Counseling Group – Heather Moor, Kelly Athey
New Hope Support Services – Sherman Lea, Jr
Total Life Counseling – Steve Price

1. Call to order/welcome
Jay Fields, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
2. Introductions/Citizen Comments
Members of the Committee and providers introduced themselves.

ACTION AGENDA

3. Approval of June 27, 2011 minutes

Joann Baker motioned the minutes be accepted as presented: Robin Jordan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INFORMATION AGENDA

4. Advocate Report – Nan Neese
Nan thanked those who attended the brief overview of Human Rights she conducted prior to the meeting.
Nan requested an addition to agenda under affiliations and notifications relative to a letter received today from National Counseling Group requesting additions to their current affiliation.
5. **Annual Reports**
The following providers presented their Annual Reports, updated Provider Information Sheets, program descriptions and answered questions from the committee:

Braley & Thompson
East Mental Health Services
EHS (Rke & NRV)
Family Services of Roanoke Valley
National Counseling Group
Total Life Counseling, Inc.
6. Affiliation change notifications
Lamano Agency – notification of sale to Lutheran Family Services

League of Therapists – Nan Neese notified the Committee that this Provider has ceased operation in the Commonwealth as of 7/31/11. Nan recommended that the LHRC take action to conclude affiliation.
A motion was made by Martha Pillow to conclude affiliation with League of Therapists; Nancy Fields seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

National Counseling Group, Inc. – submitted a request to expand their current affiliation relative to the provision of Intensive In Home Services and Mental Health Support Services to include the counties of Giles, Franklin, Floyd, Pulaski and Craig including corresponding Cities. Nan noted that this Region does not include Franklin County so affiliation should not be granted to that services area.

Joseph Kinchloe motioned the affiliation be extended to cover the service areas requested with the exception of Franklin County; Nancy Fields seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

7. **Other Business**

Nan announced the State Human Rights Committee would meet on Friday, September 9 at Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare, Brandon Avenue, Room 128.

Provider training will be held prior to the October 17 human rights committee meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Quarterly reports are due by the close of business October 7th. They should be emailed to Betsy with a copy to Nan.

Nan requested a provider to chair the October provider group meeting to discuss support to the Committee. Cassie Huskey with Fidura and Associates volunteered to chair the meeting.

8. Next Committee meeting date – October 17, 2011

9. The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Jay Fields, Chair

Date approved

Betsy Walker – Admin Support